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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

KAZUHIRO FUJII

Application No.: 09/766,696

Filed: January 19, 2001

For: BRACKET ASSEMBLY FOR A  
MOTOR CONTROLLED BICYCLE  
TRANSMISSION

) Examiner: A. Boehler

) Art Unit: 3611

) AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

This is a response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2003. A request for continued examination accompanies this amendment. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 66, 78 and 79 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A bracket apparatus for mounting a control device for a bicycle transmission to a bicycle frame, wherein the frame has a bottom bracket shell, a seat tube extending upwardly relative to the bottom bracket shell, a first chain stay extending rearwardly relative to the seat tube and a first seat stay extending rearwardly relative to the seat tube above the first chain stay, wherein the apparatus comprises:

a bracket base for supporting the control device at least partially above the first chain stay; wherein the bracket base has a substantially horizontal upper surface for substantially its entire length, wherein the upper surface is structured to receive a vertically downwardly directed force component from a portion of the control device mounted above it;

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Commissioner:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

- ☐ A petition to extend time to respond in the above-identified prior application complying with the OG Notice of June 14, 1984 is enclosed.
- ☐ Please enter the amendment under §1.116 dated \_\_\_\_\_ and unentered in the prior nonprovisional application.
- ☒ Please enter the enclosed amendment.
- ☐ Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 with copies of cited references.
- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.  
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) **required**).
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503).

The required fees have been calculated as shown below:

|  | CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |       | HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA |
|--|---|-------|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| TOTAL  | 82  | MINUS | 79                                    | 3                |
| INDEP.   | 9   | MINUS | 7                                     | 2                |
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| SMALL ENTITY        |               | OR | OTHER THAN A<br>SMALL ENTITY |               |
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| RATE                | ADDIT.<br>FEE |    | RATE                         | ADDIT.<br>FEE |
| x9=                 | \$            |    | 3x18=                        | \$54          |
| x42=                | \$            |    | 2x84=                        | \$168         |
| +140=               | \$            |    | +280=                        | \$            |
| TOTAL<br>ADDIT. FEE | \$            |    | TOTAL                        | \$222         |

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- ☒ RCE fee \$ 750.
- ☒ Claims fee \$ 222.
- ☐ Time extension fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ A check for \$ 972 is enclosed.

Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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